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ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a system and method to facilitate rendering of a collection of display items such as a collection of document sheets appearing under a singular display icon or object. In one aspect, a system is provided for displaying item collection previews. The system includes at least one display object having metadata tags that describe two or more data items in a collection of data items. A control component selectively animates a presentation of the items based in part on the metadata tags and detected user activities. When a display object is selected, users can scroll through pages or items in a stack, whereby transitional displays can be provided during scrolling operations.